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REF: (A) STATE 090860, (B) STATE 072217

1. I WAS NOT ABLE TO SEE FONMIN DG OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS ZAHAWI UNTIL APRIL 15 WHEN I INFORMED HIM THAT TRIAL OF DEFENDANT INVOLVED IN ILLEGAL SALE OF ARMS TO IRAQI UN MISSION WOULD BEGIN THAT DAY. I TOLD HIM THAT TESTIMONY WOULD BRING OUT AT-TAYYAR'S CULPABILITY AND THAT TRIAL MAY GENERATE PUBLICITY UNFAVORABLE TO IRAQ. I ALSO TOLD ZAHAWI THAT ISG IS STILL AWAITING THE RETURN OF THE OTHER 30 WEAPONS AND POINTED OUT, ONCE AGAIN, THAT THE EVIDENCE THAT 100 WEAPONS WERE DELIVERED TO THE IRAQI UN MISSION IS VERY STRONG. ZAHAWI WAS NON-COMMITAL IN REPLY, BUT SAID HE WOULD PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES.

2. IN REFERENCE TO STATE 072217, ZAHAWI WAS OUR SOURCE OF INFORMATION THAT IRAQI MISSION DOORMAN WAS A HANAFI MUSLIM. HE MENTIONED THIS IN PASSING IN COURSE OF AN EARLIER DISCUSSION AND I DO NOT BELIEVE HE MEANT TO IMPLY THAT DOORMAN

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HAD DIVERTED WEAPONS. IN FACT, HE IMPLIED THAT DOORMAN WAS A FAITHFUL AND TRUSTED EMPLOYEE OF IRAQI UN MISSION. IT WAS MY OWN SUGGESTION THAT DEPT. CHECK WITH POLICE AUTHORITITES ON ODD CHANCE THAT THE MISSION WEAPONS HAD SOMEHOW BEEN DIVERTED TO HANAFI MUSLIMS ARSENAL.
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